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SUBJECT: CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY ELECTION: FURTHER COMMENTS

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1. ACCORDING TO OGUNDOKUN, ELECTED TO THE ILESA/ATAKUMOSA CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY SEAT IN OYO STATE (FORMER JOURNALIST, NNDP MEMBER, NOW BUSSINESSMAN AND LOCAL COUNCILLOR) 11 OF 15 OYO STATE SEATS WON BY FORMER NNDP ADHERENTS, 2 BY ACTION GROUPERS (OGUNLEYE AND DUROSOSOMO) AND 2 INDEPENDENT. HE SAID OYO STATE CA MEMBERS HAVE ALREADY CAUCUSED WITH AIM OF PRESENTING COMMON FRONT ON ALL ISSUES AND WITH ULTIMATE AIM OF ALIGNING ITSELF WITH PARTY WHICH APPEARS STRONGEST ON NATIONAL LEVEL. NO LEADER OF OYO STATE YET NAMED AND AKINJIDE WILL NOT NECESSARILY TAKE ON THIS ROLE.

2. OGUNKOKUN SAID ONDO STATE GENERALLY TAKEN BY ANTI-ACTION GROUP FACTION LED BY AKIN-DEKO, MAJOR GENERAL ADEBAYO, AND CHIEF AKINFOSILE. THIS WOULD LEAVE ACTION GROUP AND AWOLOWO WITH MAJORITY FOLLOWERS ONLY IN OGUN STATE. THUS, THREE OF STATES OF FORMER WESTERN STATE APPEAR TO EACH BE POLARIZED AROUND DIFFERENT POWER GROUPS. HOWEVER, ACTION

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GROUP IS ONLY ONE WITH ANY STRENGTH IN OTHER STATES.

3. JUDGES HERE EXPRESS GREAT CAUTION IN STEPPING INTO ELECTION FRAY BUT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY RULE IF OBVIOUS FRAUD OR NON-OBSERVANCE OF ELECTION LAW FOUND.

4. APPEARS POLITICS GOING STRON IN SPITE OF BAN ON POLITICAL

PARTIES. OLD AND NEW POLITICIANS MANEUVERING FOR POSITION
AND ACTUAL ISSUES OF CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY YET TO BE FOCUSED
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